

Notice of Allowability	Application No.	Applicant(s)
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	Examiner	Art Unit
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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. This communication is responsive to the after final amendment filed 10/10/06.

2. The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-7 and 9-11.

3. Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).

a) All b) Some* c) None of the:

1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.

2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.

3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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4. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.

5. CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.

(a) including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
1) hereto or 2) to Paper No./Mail Date _____.

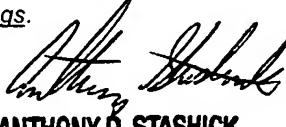
(b) including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of
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Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).

6. DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

- 1. Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2. Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3. Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
- 4. Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
- 5. Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6. Interview Summary (PTO-413),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
- 7. Examiner's Amendment/Comment
- 8. Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
- 9. Other marked-up copy of drawings.


ANTHONY D. STASHICK
PRIMARY EXAMINER

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

Specification and Claims

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the Specification,

- (a) On line 5 of paragraph [0026], "16" has been changed to --22--,
- (b) On line 5 of paragraph [0026], "cap top 14" has been changed to --sidewall skirt 20--.
- (c) On line 8 of paragraph [0026], "wall 22" has been changed to --surface 22--, and
- (d) On line 8 of paragraph [0026], both occurrences of "side wall" have been changed to --sidewall skirt--.

In the claims,

- (a) On line 4 of claim 6, "end.l" has been changed to --end--

Drawings

2. The drawings were received on October 10, 2006. These drawings are not accepted because the replacement sheets have not been labeled "Replacement Sheet" as required by 37 CFR 1.121 (d).

3. The following changes to the drawings have been approved by the examiner:

- (a) In figure 1, the reference number 41 on the left side of figure 1 must be deleted.
- (b) Reference number 61 should be added to figure 1A to designate the portion of the material section,
- (c) In figure 1, the reference number 50 on the far right side of the figure must be deleted,

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(d) In figure 1A, reference number 42 located between reference numbers 50 and 42 must be deleted,

(e) In figure 3, reference number 110 located directly below reference number 116 must be changed to --112--, and

(f) In figure 5, the lead line for reference number 324 should be directed to the open top of the material section 322.

Attached is a marked-up copy of the drawings showing the addition or alteration to be made.

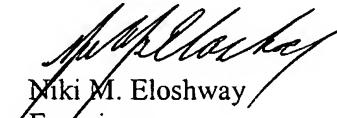
In order to avoid abandonment of the application, applicant must make these above drawing changes.

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Niki M. Eloshway whose telephone number is 571-272-4538. The examiner can normally be reached on Thursdays and Fridays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Anthony Stashick can be reached on 571-272-4561. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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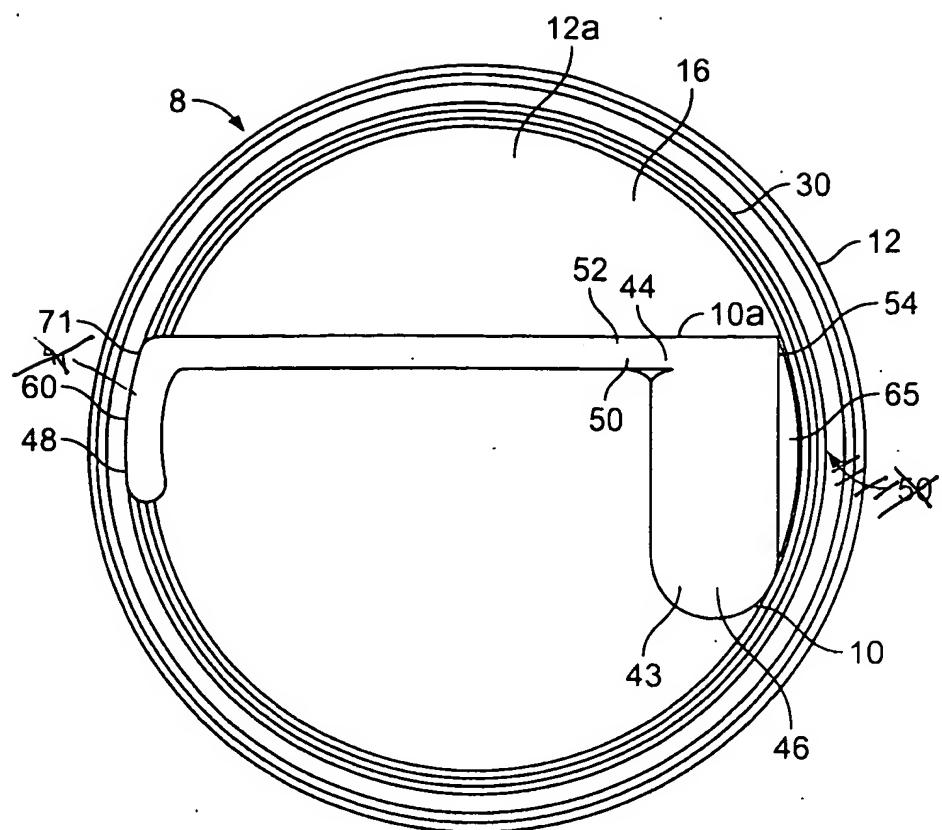


FIG. 1

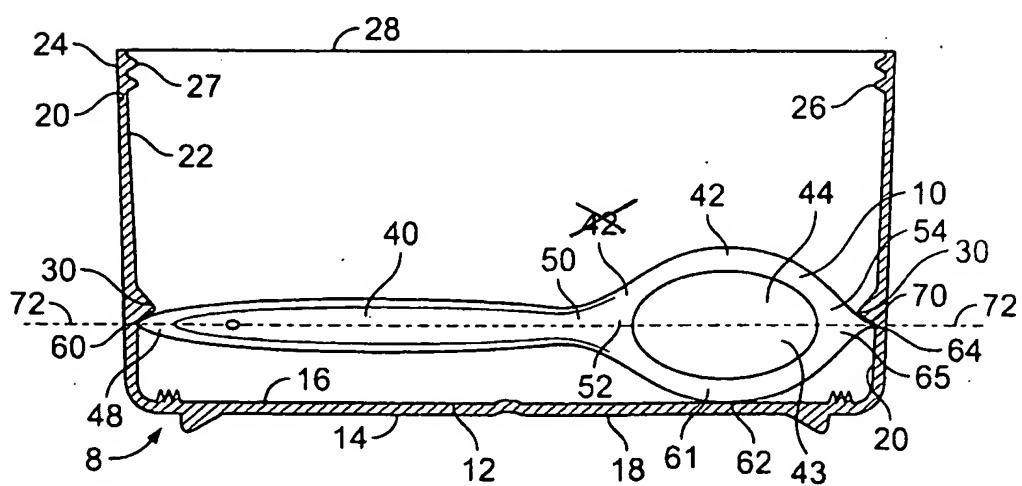


FIG. 1A

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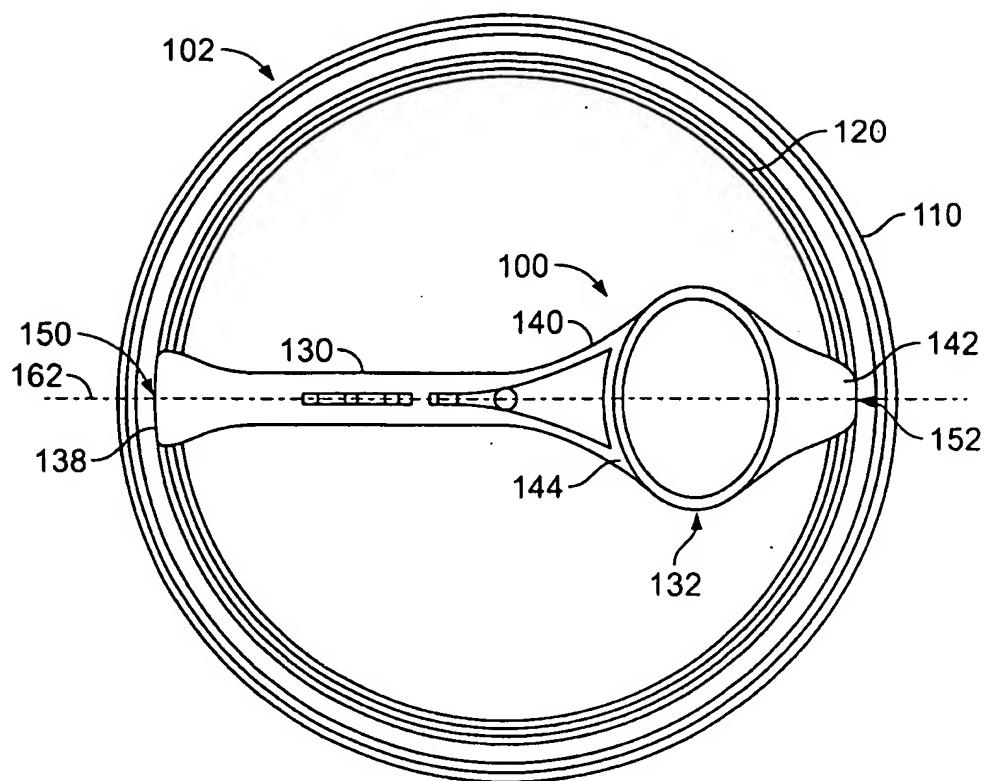


FIG. 2

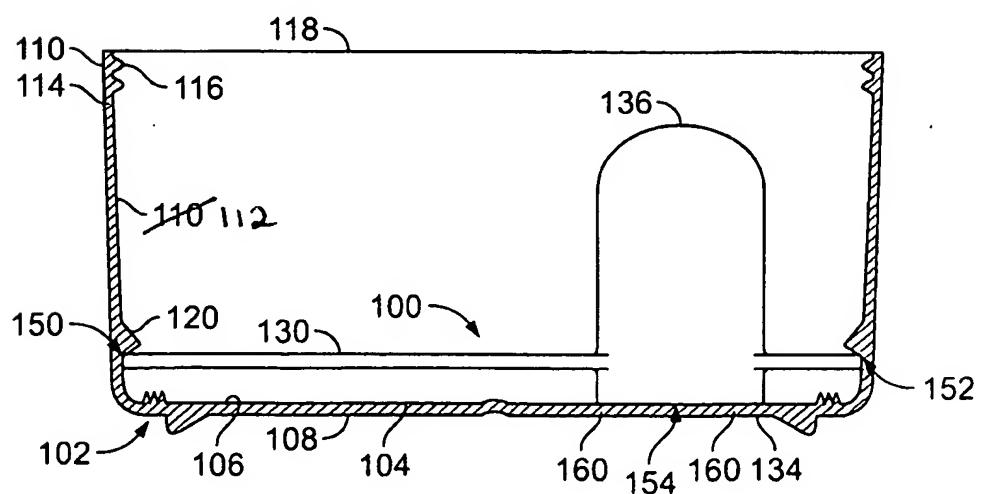


FIG. 3

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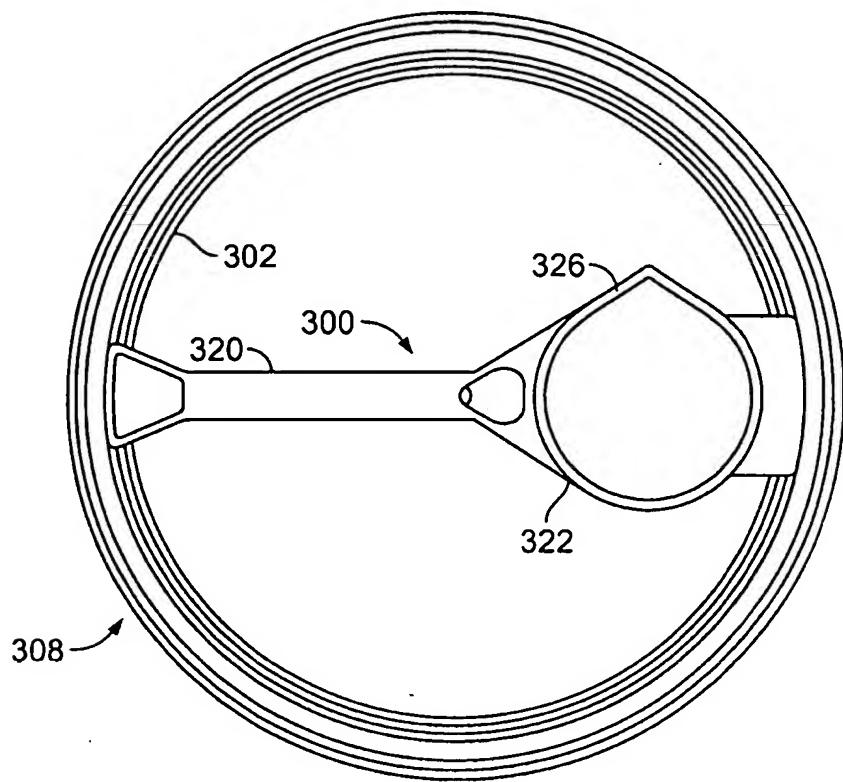


FIG. 4

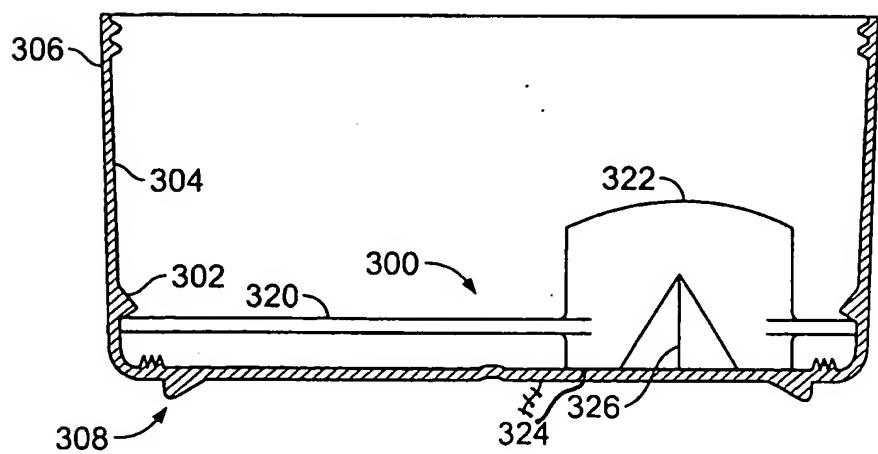


FIG. 5